

James Furnis and Thomas Ord to John Defever, July 31, 1755, Instructions, Letters to Washington and Accompanying Papers. Published by the Society of the Colonial Dames of America. Edited by Stanislaus Murray Hamilton.

Instructions for Mr. John Defeaver Conductor of Stores to the Trane of Artillery Left at Fort Cumberland in Maryland

You are to receive into your Care and Charge all such Powder, Shot and Other ordnance Stores as are to Be Left in Fort Cumberland, or its Environs Belonging to the Trane of Artillery and to Give Mr. Furnis a Satisfactory receipt or Indent For the Same——

You are not to Issue or expend any of the Said ordnance Stores But By Written order from the Commander in Chief From the Commander in Chief of the Troops, or from Ye Governor or Commanding Officier of the Garrison for such as may be for its Defence Only: And You must be Carefull Always to take a receipt from ye Person To Whom the Issue is Made, Specifying therein for What Service and By Whose order —

You are to Draw on Mr. Furnis Pay-Master, for Your own & the Detachment's Subsistance (that are Not in the Hospital) as it Becomes Due, and to Cause every man You pay, to Sign a Book & pay list for the Same: Wch. Latter You Are to Transmit to Mr. Furnis monthly, to Discharge You of What Money You have Drawn———

If at any time You Shou'd Want a fue Men to help You to Secure any of the perishable Stores from The Weather, or Other Necessity, You are to Apply to Governor Innis Who

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Lastly You are to Transmit to Mr. Furnis a Remain of Stores by Every oppertunity, With a
Return Of Your Receipts and Issues, so that it may be always known What You have under
Your Charge Given under our hands at Fort Cumberland in Maryland the Thirty-first Day of
July 1755 —

THOMAS ORDJAMES FURNIS Commanding Officier of Artillery Commissary A True
Coppay To Colo GEORGE WASHINGTON